(c) if so, the Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) and (c) The figures of cognizable crimes under IPC cases in metropolitan cities reported in June during the last three years is as follows:—

Sl. No.	Cities	No. of cases in year		
		1999	2000	2001
1.	Chennai	589	557	520
2.	Delhi	4427	4923	4746
3.	Kolkata	870	956	999
4.	Mumbai	2195	2439	2351

The number of crimes reported in June, 2002 in Metropolitan cities have not yet been received in National Crime Records Bureau from State Governments. Therefore, no comparison with the rate of crimes in June 2002 with that in the same month for the last three years can be made.

Let threat to industrial sector

1537. SHRI LAJPAT RAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item titled "Lashkar gunning for Industrial Units: Report" which appeared in the Hindustan Times dated the 20th June, 2002 regarding attacks on industrial sectors in various cities by Lashkar-e-Teyyaba (LeT); and

(b) if so, what actions Government have taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The concerned security agencies have been alerted. They have been advised to take suitable measures to prevent any untoward incident.

Non utilisation of riots aid

1538. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMED KHAN (DURRU): Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the report in The Asian Age of 24th June, 2002, captioned "Government apathy causes riot and to rot";